

SEMINOLE COUNTY GOVERNMENT AGENDA MEMORANDUM

SUBJECT: Workforce Central Florida - Grant Applications

DEPARTMENT: Fiscal Services

DIVISION: Administration - Fiscal Services

AUTHORIZED BY: Lisa Spriggs

CONTACT: Jennifer Bero

EXT: 7125

MOTION/RECOMMENDATION:

Approve to submit grant applications to Workforce Central Florida requesting up to \$50,000.00 in reimbursement funds for employee training and/or certification programs, and authorize the County Manager to execute supporting documents.

County-wide

Jennifer Bero

BACKGROUND:

Workforce Central Florida (WCF) offers training grants to employers valuing investment in their employees through the development of specific occupational knowledge and skills. WCF seeks to contribute towards an organization's ability to effectively deliver services to their constituents. Up to \$50,000 is available to Seminole County for this purpose.

Staff is interested in pursuing the grant to supplement the cost for training and certification programs employees undertake. An example of such programs is Paramedic Training. Seminole County Firefighters currently participate in the training to continue the provision of advanced life support as its level of service for citizens. If awarded, grant funds would reimburse Seminole County for 50% of the direct training costs, decreasing the dependency upon county dollars.

Via this agenda item, staff is requesting Board approval to submit an application for the Paramedic Training, and on-going applications for employee training and/or certifications programs until the maximum allowable reimbursement is received.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends that the Board approve to submit grant applications to Workforce Central Florida requesting up to \$50,000.00 in reimbursement funds for employee training and/or certification programs, and authorize the County Manager to execute supporting documents.

ATTACHMENTS:

1. Project Summary

Additionally Reviewed By: No additional reviews

**GRANT PROPOSAL REVIEW FORM – ABSTRACT
GRANTS ADMINISTRATION DIVISION**

FUNDER: Workforce Central Florida

DATE DUE: First-come, first-served

PROJECT TITLE: Paramedic Training and Other

DEPARTMENT: Fiscal Services

PROJECT INITIATOR(S): Jennifer Bero, Grants Administrator

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The Paramedic Program is a year-long course starting each Fall and Spring semester at Seminole Community College. The EMS/Fire/Rescue Division aims to enroll two (2) firefighter EMT's from each shift at the start of each semester.

The course stresses theory and procedures used by a comprehensive emergency medical system in advanced pre-hospital care of the emergency patient. Topics studied include role and responsibilities, medical legal issues, well-being of the paramedic, illness and injury prevention, ethics, medical terminology review, patient assessment, airway management, venous access and medication administration, therapeutic communications, life span development, pathophysiology, management of shock, and general pharmacology.

In addition to the Paramedic Training, staff would apply for grant funds for other training and/or certification programs pursued. The costs for any programs pursued would be accommodated by funds approved through the FY 07/08 and/or FY 08/09 budget process.

TOTAL AMOUNT REQUESTED: \$ 50,000

MATCHING FUNDS (IF APPLICABLE): \$ 50,000

SOURCES OF MATCH: Existing FY 07/08 and Proposed FY 08/09 Budget

TOTAL PROJECT COST: \$100,000